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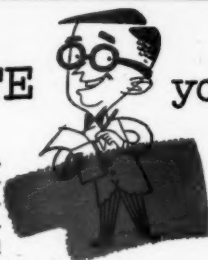
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you on that?



[1] DAG HAMMARSKJÖLD, Sec'y Gen'l of UN, celebrating 180th anniv of Va Declaration of Rights: "Freedom from fear' could be said to sum up the whole philosophy of human rights." . . . [2] Sir WINSTON CHURCHILL, calling for European unity: "We must avoid violence by every means in our power. The only unity that would come from violence would be unity of ashes and death." . . . [3] Dr ELI GINZBERG, director, Conservation of Human Resources Project, Columbia Univ: "Severe discriminations, both in the South and the North still hamper Negro potentialities. The 15 million Negroes in the U S are the single most underdeveloped resource of the nation." . . . [4] V M NEWTON, Jr, managing editor, Tampa Tribune and chmn Freedom of Information Committee, Sigma Delta Chi: "We can no more have a little secret gov't than we can have a little freedom, a little justice

or a little morality." . . . [5] JAS C HAGERTY, White House Press Sec'y, on Republican promotion plans: "We are in

a new age—an electronic age—and we have a lot of thoughts on how to campaign." . . . [6] LUTHER HODGES, Gov of N C: "In our so-called enlightened society, we seemed to regard death by motor vehicles as routine and humdrum news items." . . . [7] CHAS WILSON, Sec'y of Defense, reminding us that other ages, too, have had their hazards: "A good many people used to get kicked by mules." . . . [8] JACKIE BRIGHT, spokesman for American Guild of Variety Artists, on plans to set up a circus rivaling Ringling Bros Barnum & Bailey: "We'll open a day ahead of Ringling in every town and city."

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Will the Negro vote this yr veer Republican, as a consequence of the Supreme Ct desegregation decree?

It is possible (tho not clearly demonstrated) that more Negroes may be disposed toward the Republican ticket. But the determining factor is likely to be economic, rather than social. There's little meat for either party in the Ct decision. The decision was judicially inevitable. While the decree was handed down by a Republican Chief Justice, all Associate Justices at the time were Democratic appointees.

Negro allegiance to Republican social philosophy dates back to Abraham Lincoln. Our middle-age generation can recall a time when the Negro who cast anything but a Republican ballot was viewed with curiosity if not distrust. But this tradition has not deterred the Negro from voting almost as solidly Democratic when his economic destiny seemed to lie in that direction.

For a period of 20 yrs the Negro has cast his lot with, and his ballot for the Democratic regime. Thru-out the nation Negro votes have ranged from 75% to 90% Democratic. Take a look at a sample analysis of '52 election ret'ns in 13 Southern cities. In Negro precincts we find only 12% of ballots cast for Eisenhower, as against 39% for Eisenhower in the white laboring districts, and a strong 75% in the upper-class neighborhoods.

If Republicans this yr are to diminish Negro Democratic majorities, their one best hope lies in the increasing material welfare of the race. As an individual's income increases, he becomes more disposed to Republican philosophy. Negroes who have advanced far enough—and fast enough—may, if they are convinced that the prosperity is enduring, ret'n to the Republican ranks where their fathers found instinctive refuge. They will ret'n—if they do ret'n—because they are impelled by precisely the same motives that move their white brethren in the lower-income strata: Republicans promise better eating, higher on the hog!

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"He who never quotes, is never quoted"

Charles Hadden Spurgeon



AGE—1

Middle-age is that period in life when you wake up with a hangover—even tho you haven't been hitting it up.—*Seng Fellowship News*, hm, Seng Co.

AMERICANA—2

How foresighted it was of the pioneers to bring so many things with them that their descendants could turn into cocktail tables, wire for lamps or plant ivy in.—*Kansas City Star*.

AUTOMOBILE—Statistics—3

About 67 million people in the U S have drivers' licenses. Of these around 30% are women. We have 35 million families who own cars. These people are buying at the rate of 6 million cars per yr. In this country as a whole we spend about 10% of our nat'l income on automobile transportation—or, in terms of car-owning families, about 12.5%. —PETER KYROPOULOS, "That Car of Yours!" *Engineering & Science*, published by Calif Inst of Technology, 2-56.

AUTOMOBILE—Traffic—4

Traffic prediction have a way of turning out to be overcautious. As one highway official said: "Our forecasts of what traffic will be have always been surpassed. As little as 5 yrs ago, we estimated 80 million motor vehicles in use by 1975. It now appears that that figure will be reached by 1964."—"Breaking the Highway Program Bottleneck." *Senior Scholastic*, 5-3-56.

BEHAVIOR—5

Who is more foolish, the child afraid of the dark or the man afraid of the light?—*Sunshine Mag*.

CHEERFULNESS—6

We have absolutely no right to annoy others by our various moods. Let the prevailing mood be cheerful and serene; keep your other moods to yourself, or better still, get rid of them.—ANNE S W GOULD, "Cheerfulness Is Always Right," *Relief Soc'y Mag*, 5-56.

CHRISTIANITY—7

A newly arrived Christian missionary was thrilled with the opportunity of converting an influential Zulu chief. Thru the interpreter he gave his message. The questions came back. "Am I to understand," queried the chief, "that if I accept Christianity I must quit stealing my neighbors' wives?" "That's right." "And if I accept Christianity I must give up lying in wait for my enemies along the trail?" "That's right," the missionary said again. "Well," mused the Zulu chief, "I'm too old to do any of those things anyhow. It seems to me that growing old and becoming a Christian are the same thing!"—EMERALD L OLSON, "Hidden Problem in Religion," *New Outlook*.

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by Les & Liz
Carpenter

Sen Stuart Symington (D-Mo) confides that the 1st time he paid a call on the lady who now is his wife (the former Eve Wadsworth) he was greeted at the door by a butler in white gloves. "I thought he was her father, Sen Wadsworth," Symington explains, "and shook hands with him warmly. I made a poor impression on the family—but I made a lifetime friend out of that butler."

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A sec'y to Rep Chas R Jonas (R-NC) rep'ts seeing this sign in a Va restaurant: "Meals served Southern style—with Northern efficiency."

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Inflationary note: U. S House mbrs, who last yr upped their pay from \$15,000 to \$22,500, must now pay more for haircuts. Price in their barber shop has been hiked from 50 cts to 75 cts. (Senators get free haircuts; union barbers in Washington charge \$1.25.)

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One Senator who has been here a long time says attendance at Senate Office Bldg gym is at all-time high. "For yrs," he says, "I was one of the very few Senators who ever used the place; now it's full all the time. I think all these heart attacks have scared some of my colleagues."

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COMPLACENCY—8

We are fully aware of the circumstances which in '56 may lull the average voter into even greater apathy, to the point where he echoes the British farmer who told his candidate for Parliament: "Mary and I ain't going to vote this yr. We like things the way they are."—"Calling All Voters," *Stet*, hm, Champion Paper & Fibre Co, 4-'56.

CO-OPERATION—Lack—9

An American, present only in the role of a guest, described a European conf as "a wonderful international gathering of firemen who, however, will wait with their common efforts until there is a fire."—*Weltbild*, Munich (Quote translation).

DIPLOMACY—10

Diplomacy is the business of handling a porcupine without disturbing the quills.—*N Y Times Magazine*.

EDUCATION—11

In education a nation reflects its hopes for the future.—HARVIE BRANSCOMB, "The Responsibility of Higher Education for Helping to Develop International Understanding," *Educational Record*, 4-'56.

EDUCATION—Soviet—12

Russia has surpassed us in the number of students enrolled in institutions above the high-school level—4,300,000 in Russia; 2,700,000 in the U S. The financial ability of parents plays little if any role in this. Most students in the higher brackets are supported wholly or in part by state stipends.—DOROTHY THOMPSON, "The Challenge of Soviet Education," *Ladies' Home Jnl*, 5-'56.

book briefs...



In good season (and seasoning) for this Election Yr, David L. Cohn presents *The Fabulous Democrats*, with a Foreword by Sam Rayburn (Putnam). Mr. Cohn makes no secret of the fact that he likes a militant Democracy, with a large D, as this paragraph, which just might have current application, denotes: "When the Democratic party is merely a low-church version of the high-church Republican party, and its spiritual anemia makes it as pale as the underbelly of a catfish, it has no appeal for the voters and certainly does not deserve their support."

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You may or may not agree with this Dep't that there is only one game worthy of the name of poker: 5-card draw, with jacks or better to open. Be that as it may, we dutifully record that *The New Complete Hoyle*, published last wk by Garden City, lists 27 varieties of poker, most of which doubtless will be demonstrated at the next Saturday-night get-together of suburban couples. . . There is no truth in the spreading rumor that Sophie Tucker will have a part in the forthcoming movie version of Rob't Ruark's *Something of Value*, playing the role of the last of the red hot Mau-Maus.

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Few laymen appreciate the research and investigation an author often is called upon to make in the writing of a novel, especially one laid in a foreign land or involving

To find just the right book at the moment when the soul is hungry for it is a miracle, and not a small one.—JANE STEGER, *Leaves From a Secret Journal* (Little, Brown).

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historical characters. *The Judas Figures* (Appleton) is set in Mexico and the hero is a Catholic priest. At one point in the story the priest faces death as a result of a bullet wound. To assure accuracy, the author, Audrey Erskine Lindop, visited a physician in her native London. The collaborators in this episode determined just what injuries the priest would have sustained. And Miss Lindop was fully informed as to the course of treatment. At another point she found it advisable to consult a wigmaker for exact technical information. The mss was meticulously checked by a Catholic priest for religious inconsistencies, and by the Mexican Embassy for geographical or historical mistakes.

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A young lady, in a Louisville bookstore, asked for a copy of Geo Bernard Shaw's classic, *Man and Superman*. "Look over yonder, Honey," the clerk counseled. "We keep all of our Superman books in the adventure-comic section."

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EXPERIENCE—13

Experience is what causes a person to make new mistakes instead of old ones.—*Enos Magazine*, hm, Enos Coal Mining Co.

FAMILY LIFE—14

The nice thing about grandchildren is that you aren't too busy supporting them to have time to enjoy them.—*Town Jnl.*

FREEDOM—15

No society can succeed henceforth unless its last citizen is as free to become a prince and a philosopher as his powers permit.—MARK VAN DOREN, *Liberal Education* (Holt).

GARDENING—16

The way to have 2 blades of grass grow where one grew before is to plant some vegetables.—*Banking*.

GOD—and Man—17

When families picked fresh vegetables from their gardens for their meal they found it easy to remember God was the giver of the soil, sunshine, and rain which produced the harvest. . . But modern refrigeration tends to transport man entirely away from direct contact with the Power which is the source of the harvest. In its place develops the idea that man himself originated both the shiny electrical appliance and the provisions which come from it to feed his body.—G ERNEST THOMAS, *Spiritual Life in the New Testament*.

GOVERNMENT—18

Good gov't is a bargain at any price.—Editorial, *Nation's Business*.

GOVERNMENT—Cost—19

The am't we spend annually thru Washington "plans" is just about equal to our nat'l food bill—\$68 billion. Many items bought by our elected and appointed employes indicate about as much wisdom as that exercised by a housewife who would buy a \$2500 car in order to patronize a supermkt 3 mi's away—while there is a private-owner grocery at the foot of her street.—HARRY C VAUGHN, Exec Sec'y Nat'l Ass'n of Personnel Consultants.

Quote scrap book

I love to believe that no heroic sacrifice is ever lost; that the characters of men are molded and inspired by what their fathers have done; that, treasured up in American souls are all the unconscious influences of the good deeds of the Anglo-Saxon race from Agincourt to Bunker Hill.—JAS A GARFIELD, *delivering a Memorial Day address at Arlington Cemetery, 88 yrs ago.*

HABIT—20

Your good habits are the diamonds which, altho more difficult to obtain, will give you true and lasting pleasure. And bad habits are the pieces of mere glass that seem to satisfy you, because they are more easily come by; but which being delusory, will in the end bring disappointment.—PARAMHANSA YOGANANDA, "Creating and Destroying Habits at Will," *Self-Realization Mag.* 3-4-'56.

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IDEAS—21

You cannot reach out and touch an idea; it reaches out and touches you. It reaches inside you and grasps you with a mighty power and force. An idea is God touching you, speaking to you, telling you the earth-shaking secret that you need to know in order to achieve, to do, to be.—JAS A DECKER, *Wkly Unity*.

LIFE—Living—22

A person does not *find* life worth living; he *makes* life worth living.—Rev HOWARD J BROWN, *Christian Advocate*.

LITTLE THINGS—23

We should mind little things—little courtesies in life, little matters of personal appearance, little extravagances, little minutes of wasted time, little details in our work.

The 1st hint Newton had leading to his most important optical discoveries was derived from a child's soap bubble.

The art of printing was suggested by a man cutting letters into the bark of a tree. . .

Each one a little thing. Yet how important to the man who had the wit to correlate these little things with the idea in his head.—*Church & Home*.

LOVE—24

Love is never wasted; it will come back to you some day.—DAGOBERT D RUNES, *On the Nature of Man* (Philosophical Library).

MARRIED LIFE—25

Custom decrees that a woman may not accept money from a man unless she's married to him, when it's a case of winner take all.—*Boston Globe*.

"Do-It-Yourself"

These days, spare time seems to be the breathing space between "do-it-yourself" projects.—*Cincinnati Enquirer*.

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The "do-it-yourself" fad has just about reached its peak, now that every mbr of Congress seems to be busy making up his own farm program.—BILL VAUGHAN, *VFW Magazine*.

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Some men are baffled by a for'n language. Others can interpret a "do-it-yourself" instruction sheet. — *Cincinnati Enquirer*. 26

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NEIGHBORLINESS—27

The future depends upon making our world of need and discontent and discord into a neighborhood. And the greatest contribution any people can make toward the solution of our present problem is that of being neighbors.—*World Call*.

OPPOSITION—28

You can only realize how much you've accomplished in office when you listen to the things your opponents oppose.—Dr KONRAD ADENAUER, Chancellor, Fed'l Republic of Germany.

OPTIMISM—Pessimism—29

An optimist is a person who sees a light where there is none; a pessimist is a crazy person who tries everything in the world to extinguish all lights. — *Sonnenschein*, Bielefeld (Quore translation).

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One Man's Monument

The few Americans know of the man whose 150th b'day anniv comes presently, millions of them daily use his greatest work—the Brooklyn Bridge. Its designer, John Roebling, was b June 12, 1806, in Prussia, coming here at 25. In 1851 he built the Niagara River suspension bridge and just before dying, completed drawings for the Brooklyn arch. His son, Washington, worked 14 yrs from those plans and in 1883 the Bridge opened—at the time, the world's longest suspension bridge (1595 ft between towers). The \$25 million span was the marvel of the nation, and its opening inspired tributes like Chas G D Roberts' "Brooklyn Bridge":

No lifeless thing of iron and stone
But sentient, as her children are,
Nature accepts you for her own,
Kin to the cataract and the star.

She marks your vast, sufficing
plan,
Cable and girder, bolt and rod,
And takes you, from the hand of
man,
For some new handiwork of God...

Your anchorage upbears the march
Of time and the eternal powers.
The sky admits your perfect arch,
The rock respects your stable
towers.

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ORGANIZATION—30

Some yrs ago an exceptionally able organizer was made pres of a newly-formed corp'n—a consolidation of previously existing co's. At the end of 6 mo's of prodigious work he had it running. "Now," he announced, "I am going to Europe for the summer—the whole summer." His directors gasped. "In what other way," he asked, "can you know if I have built this organization right? If it won't run by itself for a while, then it isn't any good, and you'd better know as soon as possible and get a good man."

The co is still doing fine—under the same man.—*Mgt Briefs.*

PATIENCE—31

With patience and time a mulberry leaf becomes a satin gown.—*Annabelle, Zurich (QUOTE translation).*

POPULATION—32

Since 1950 our population has been increased by more than 15,800,000 or 4 Irelands. We passed the 167 million mark in Feb. Between now and 1960 our mkt will increase by almost a whole Canada. Between 1960 and 1965, it will increase by the equivalent of a Holland and 2 Switzerlands. In 1965, there will be 19 millions more of us. These are the increases to which we must attune our business.—*VERGEL D REED, addressing American Mfr's Assoc Conf.*

PROCRASTINATION—33

We are tired by the work we do not do, not by what we do.—*FLORENCE C BRILLHART, Together We Praise Him (Revell).*

RECREATION—34

There isn't much fun in medicine, but there's a good deal of medicine in fun.—*Prescott (Ariz) Courier.*

pathways to the past

Edited by Janet Baldwin

Nat'l Flag Wk
Father-Son Wk



June 10—Children's Day. . . Ze 1st successful French newspaper here, *Courier des Etats Unis*, began printing 105 yrs ago (1851) in N Y C. . . Founding of the Budget Bureau 35 yrs ago (1921) made our gov't appropriations systematic (but no cheaper).

June 11—335 yrs ago (1621) the Pilgrims stopped being squatters; having settled on Council For New England territory, they belatedly got a land grant from the group. . . 215th anniv (1741) of b of Dr Jos Warren, Boston hero of the Battle of Bunker Hill. . . Congress app'td a committee 180 yrs ago (1776), headed by Thos Jefferson, to draft a declaration of Independence.

June 12—Our Bill of Rights owes a debt of inspiration to the Virginia Declaration of Rights, proposed 180 yrs (1776) by Geo Mason to the House of Burgesses. . . 150th b'day (1806) of John Roebling, engineer who designed the structural *tour de force* of his age, Brooklyn Bridge.

June 13—The Dutch West Indies Co was chartered 335 yrs ago (1621) to trade with America, harass Spanish shipping, and start colonies (but it never gained complete control, as in East Indies). . . Boston's Simmons College, 1st technical college for women, graduated its 1st class 50 yr ago (1906). . . 10 yrs ago (1946) a "Shooting Star"

plane left California on the 1st. one-day flight around the world.

June 14—Flag Day. . . 145th b'day (1811) of Harriet Beecher Stowe, builder of *Uncle Tom's Cabin*. . . Sacramento Valley settlers staged the Bear Flag Revolt 110 yrs ago (1846), proclaiming a Republic of California and hoisting a bear-and-star flag. . . The mood music of the Gay 90's dates from the 1st player-piano patent, granted 75 yrs ago (1881) to John McTammany Jr. . . Bernard Baruch was U S delegate to the 1st U N Atomic Energy Commission mtg, 10 yrs ago (1946) in N Y C.

June 15—Congress named a committee of Franklin, Jay, John Adams and others 175 yrs ago (1781) to treat for peace with Britain (treaty-signing came within 18 mo's). . . Arkansas became a state 120 yrs ago (1836). . . U S and Canada fixed the world's longest unguarded border 110 yrs ago (1846), signing the Oregon Treaty to extend boundary along 49th parallel to the Pacific.

June 16—The Happiness Boys of the Masonic family, the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine ("Shriners") was established 85 yrs ago (1871) in N Y C.

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The approaching picnic season turns our thoughts to—poison ivy. But this yr there is some degree of hope for the large segment of humanity who are in some degree responsive to the virulent shrub. Considerable immunity can be built up by taking pills containing small am'ts of the chemically-modified poison. (See your doctor for a prescription.)

Laboratory technicians at Columbia Univ have been working actively on the problem for a long time. Prof Chas R Dawson last month rep'ted findings to N Y Academy of Sciences. In essence, this is the story: Protein factors in some skins are antagonistic to the "poison" element in poison ivy. Upon contact, itch and blisters result.

The basic molecule of poison ivy "poison" is a remote relative of carboic acid. Side chains of hydrogen and carbon atoms attached to these molecules form the active principle. When scientists can separate these bonds in chemically-active form, and the mode of action is established, we'll have a simple, effective way to prevent ivy (or oak) poisoning of susceptible subjects. Meanwhile, the pills are a temporary expedient. And, oh yes, there is another practical suggestion we might make at this point: Pack up your belongings and move to Nevada. Neither poison oak nor poison ivy grows there.

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RUSSIA—Education—35

The mass of Soviet students and teachers are still on a lower level generally than their pre-revolutionary predecessors. Often they remain half-educated all their lives. We meet this semi-intelligentsia as writers on Soviet newspapers and mags; they come to the West as diplomats and delegates, often surprising their colleagues from other parts of the world by their mediocrity.—DAVID J DALLIN, *The Changing World of Soviet Russia* (Yale).

SCIENCE—Education—36

Science must become as a subject part of our culture, or we shall fail, not only to train scientists, but to preserve our culture.— J BRONOWSKI, "The Educated Man in 1984," *Science*, 4-27-'56.

SELF—Analysis—37

During one of my first sessions in the Senate J Hamilton Lewis came over and sat down by me. He was from Illinois and was the whip in the Senate at that time. "Don't start out with an inferiority complex," he told me, "For the first six mo's you'll wonder how you got here—and after that you'll wonder how the rest of us got here."—HARRY S TRUMAN, *Year of Decisions*. (Doubleday).

STATESMANSHIP—38

I believe a good man of politics must know a great deal, work hard and have respect for the opinions of others, even if he does not share these opinions. He must love his people and must be prepared to offer other nations the same regard and appreciation which he demands for his own.—KONRAD ADENAUER, quoted by LOTTE ADENAUER, in "My Father the Chancellor," *Think*, 4-'56.

TALENT—39

The more scarce trained brains become, the more vital that we put them to the best possible use. If a mat'l is scarce we take steps to conserve it, to utilize it to maximum advantage. Should we do less with our human resources?—DONALD K. BALLMAN, gen'l sales mgr, Dow Chemical Co, quoted in editorial, "Industry's Most Critical Shortage," *Dow Diamond*, 4-'56.

TOLERANCE—40

It seems to me that today some people are so anxious not to be thought narrow-minded — intolerance being the only thing of which their friends are intolerant—that they dare not express disapproval of anything.—Lady CYNTHIA ASQUITH, speaking on BBC.

TRADITION—41

Does protestantism have a heritage of worship? . . . Yes, altho this does not imply doing things in church "just because the Reformers did." Calvin wore a hat in church . . . because the church had (a) drafts and (b) pigeons.—Dr ROBERT MCAFEE BROWN, *The Significance of the Church*, 1st book of Layman's Theological Library series (Westminster).

WORK—42

Work: a tonic which contains no habit-forming drugs.—*In a Nutshell*.

WORK—Play—43

When Babe Ruth was offered a job with the Baltimore Orioles as a young man, he was told he would get only \$300 for the season. His comment was: "You mean they pay you to play baseball!"—JOHN C. HOLLIS, "Mktg for Talents," *Independent Woman*, 4-'56.



Out in Dallas, at a recent meeting of the American Chemical Ass'n they tried out a gadget that may fill a long-felt need. A 5-button control box was operated from the rear of the room. Admonitions were flashed to the speaker via a receiver concealed in the rostrum. Pressure on appropriate buttons would illuminate the words "faster" and "slower," and the warnings "5 min's more" and "finish." The final button sounded a buzzer indicating "time's up."

Well, it seems there really are wooden nickels—and what's more to the point, they have lately advanced in price; now cost 6 cts each in wholesale quantities. Made in Brooklyn, they're used as souvenirs and in direct mail adv promotions. . . . Blue jeans are losing out as feminine apparel, according to pulse-on-the-public mail-order vendor Montgomery Ward. Trend now is treader pants, with quite a brisk demand for Bermuda shorts and pedal-pushers. . . . And we must tell you that in Buenos Aires, Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has pushed thru a law requiring hats for horses in hot weather. . . . And here vendors worry because men forsake their hats in top temperatures!

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GOOD STORIES YOU CAN USE



Fellow we know has just bought, or at least paid the 1st instalment on, a very swanky and expensive car. He is the envy of some of his co-workers in the insurance company where he toils. There is also good deal of conviction that he is putting on the dog in a manner well beyond his means. The other day a couple of pals slipped a card under the chap's windshield wiper. It was one of those printed invitations used-car dealers sometimes distribute in this way. On it the ambitious fellow read: "Blank Motors will allow you \$375.00 on a trade-in on this car on the purchase of a new Ford." They know he read it; they were looking out of the office window. He didn't say anything about it tho. — *Mon-trealer.* a

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A customer goes into a pet store and points to a large dog and asks: "How much?" The proprietor says, "\$50." The guy points to a medium-sized dog and asks: "And how much is that one?" "One hundred," replies the pet store man. "Well," the guy persisted, "how much is that little teeny-weeney dog in the corner?" "That one is \$200," the proprietor said.

The guy got an alarmed look on his face. "How much will it cost me," he asked, "if I don't buy any dog at all?" — *OLLIE M JAMES, Cincinnati Enquirer.* b

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I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

HAL CHADWICK

There's nothing more fascinating than planning your own home, as my wife and I learned from experience. For mo's we sketched tentative floor plans. Then I laboriously made scale drawings of 2 floors, basement and attic. These we took to an architect friend who, we were sure, would be bowled over by our well-thought-out plans.

Sure enough, Harry enthused properly as he studied each detail of our proposed dwelling. "Couldn't have done better myself!" he assured us. "But I might add one practical suggestion: put in some trapdoors between floors—since you haven't provided any stairs!"

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The story goes that during the darkest period of early World War II an American banker received an audience with King Geo of England.

The King was despondent.

"London is being raided nightly," he lamented. "Rommel may capture Suez, India is in ferment and Japan menaces Australia. What to do, what to do!"

The banker thought hard for a second or two.

"Your Majesty," he finally repl'd, "if I were you I'd put Canada in the Queen's name!" — *JOE CREASON, Louisville Courier-Jnl Mag.* c

Quote-able

QUIPS

Modern Goldilocks: Papa Bear: "Someone's eaten my porridge." Baby Bear: "Somebody's eaten my porridge, too." Mama Bear: "Shut up, you idiots. I haven't served it yet."—CEDRIC ADAMS, *Minneapolis Tribune*. d

" " This is about the plight of a young St Paul woman who forgot one important telephone fundamental: always dial correctly. Named chmn of a club dance, she began calling merchants who had donated door prizes the yr before. She dialed one of them, introduced herself, and gave her purpose, but was told: "Well, we don't usually."

"Oh, yes, you do," she interrupted. "You have always given us something for a door prize."

"Are you certain?"

"Absolutely."

"Well, I'm new here this yr and may be mistaken, but we really haven't anything suitable to donate as a prize."

"Oh, yes, you do," the caller insisted. "And because the dance is Friday and we're in a hurry, I'll even come down myself and pick up whatever you want to give."

"But I have no idea what we could give you."

"Well, just anything would be fine—something in line with your business."

"Lady, are you sure you have the right phone number?"

"Oh . . . isn't this the jewelry company?"

"No, ma'am, this is the Minnesota Funeral Directors Ass'n."—*Northwestern Bell*, hm, *Northwestern Bell Telephone Co.* e

Many a man's wallet would be flatter if it weren't so full of credit cards.—HAL CHADWICK.

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An old-timer is anyone who remembers a housewife putting food into cans, instead of taking it out.—VESTA M KELLY.

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A gossip is someone who puts 2 and 2 together and gets wheel!—FRANCES RODMAN.

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The reason they're putting safety belts in autos is that people are getting killed before they have their cars paid for.—HERB SHRINER, comedian.

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Relations are people who come to visit you when the weather is too hot to cook their own meals.—Banking.

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There are more important things in life than money—but they won't go out with you if you're broke.—Lion.

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Blessed are the deaf. They do not hear the yakking of the dumb.—Seng Fellowship News, hm, Seng Co.

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The main influences of the moon are upon the tide and the untied.—Changing Times.

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Electoral College: Institute of higher yearning.—Town Jnl.

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Quote

A Milwaukee couple could not understand the new respect and attention they were getting from old friends recently—including a lot of thinly veiled questions about a presumably new social and economic status.

They finally ran it down. Seems they had a painter redecorating part of their house. He had served during the war on an English ship and had picked up what he considered a fine British accent.

When he was working alone in the house, and the phone would ring, he would answer it thusly:

"No, ma'am, Mrs Taylor is not in.

"No, ma'am, Mr Taylor is not in.

"This, ma'am is the Taylor's but-lah."—*Milwaukee Jnl.* f

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A little boy who went to the ballet for the first time with his father watched the girls dance around on their toes for a while, and then asked:

"Why don't they just get taller girls?" — GALEN DRAKE, *American Mercury.* g

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Flash! Bulletin just rec'd from the Univ of Utopia: All prof's have agreed on the following examination plan. Exams will be conducted in the student lounge. First exam will consist of a bridge party; next, students will be served pheasant under glass; a skiing trip will be 3rd, and the 4th and last exam will be an informal dance. Favors at this festive affair will be straight "A" report cards, and graduate fellowships will be door prizes. Attendance is compulsory.—*Mississippi Spectator.* h

Quote

A mother was helping her 12-yr-old son fill out a questionnaire for school. In answer to the question "How much time per wk do you spend watching television?" the boy had written "10 hrs."

"But you don't watch television that much," the mother pointed out.

"I know it," he ans'd, "but 14 hrs was the average last yr and I don't want to be too far below."—*Nat'l Parent-Teacher.* i

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One day Toto, the famed Italian comedian, had to have an operation. "I want to tell you ahead of time," warned his dr, "that I'm in favor of getting my patients up and around very soon. Two hours after the operation you will sit up, four hours later you will stand up, and the next day you will walk around on the nurse's arm."

"All right," repl'd Toto, "but will you let me lie down a little while during the operation?" — *Revue, Munich* (QUOTE translation). j

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I never contradict my wife. I just wait a while and she contradicts herself.—*Bunte Illustrierte, Offenburg* (QUOTE translation). k

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Seems that Adlai Stevenson was being taxied to the airport the other day and he introduced himself and started passing the time of day with the cabbie.

"People say I talk over the heads of the average man," Mr Stevenson said. "What do you think?"

The cab driver pondered the question. Then, "Well, Governor, I understand you, but I'm not so sure about the average man."—*ANDREW TULLY, Indianapolis Times.* l

Light Armour

Richard Armour



One's Company, Two's Bigamy
President Sukarno of Indonesia will leave his two wives home when he visits the United States.—News item.

Consider, please, the stress and strain

On protocol if only
He brought, instead, both wives along
So that he'd not be lonely.

Consider how, in Washington,
The matter would be reckoned.
First Lady they well understand,
But how about a Second?

Who'd go before? Who'd go behind?
And what of table seating?
Which one would get a handshake first

Upon a sudden meeting?

Still worse, think how our diplomats

Would frown, and shake their heads

To find that they'd assigned their guest

A room with just twin beds. . .

Diplomacy in Washington,
In Paris, London, Rome,
Is difficult enough. —Thank God,
He'll leave his wives at home!

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We know a man who has a car so old that this yr he wrote the State Motor Vehicle Dep't requesting upper and lower plates instead of front and rear ones.—*Lion.* m

"Just tell me one good reason why you can't buy a new car now," said the persistent automobile salesman.

"Well, I'll tell you," repl'd the farmer, "I'm still paying installments on the car I swapped for the car I traded in as part payment on the car I am 2 payments behind on now!"—*Automotive Dealer News.* n

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The worried leopard consulted his psychiatrist on day. "I don't know what's come over me, doc," he complained. "Every time I looked at my wife I see spots before my eyes!"

"Well, for heaven's sake," answered the medic, "that's only natural."

"But, doctor," explained the leopard, "she's a zebra!"—*E E KENYON, American Wkly.* o

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A proud 16-yr-old turned into his driveway at the wheel of the family car. His father sat beside him. Several younger brothers emerged onto the scene.

"Listen," shouted the happy driver, "I just passed my driving test. You guys can all move up one bike!"—*Capper's Wkly.* p

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Eating in Calif drive-ins can be pretty confusing. A customer was complaining to the carhop that the coffee was weak, and the waitress said: "Don't be silly, I haven't put any in yet; you've been drinking the smog."—*American Eagle*, hm, American Forest Products Corp'n. q

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Quack

SECOND CLASS MATTER

DR PAUL C AEBERSOLD, chief of isotopes div'n, Atomic Energy Commission: "There's a constant swapping of atoms among men, animals and organic matter. Some of your atoms may be hand-me-downs from a dinosaur." 1-Q-t

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LOUIS (Satchmo) ARMSTRONG, American Negro jazz artist, playing in London's Empress Hall to an audience including entranced Princess Margaret: "I want to play something special for an old flame, boys. Let's lay it on for the princess!" 2-Q-t

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Following an unseasonable storm, a European friend once asked us, "Can it be the atom bomb who do this?" About that, we don't know. But if you're like us, you've often felt you could do better guessing at the weather than official forecasters do. Now you can go technical and predict weather scientifically, instead of by looking at sunsets—or even by so simple a means as just looking out the window. *El-Tronics, Inc.*, of Philadelphia, mkts an electronic weather station for home use. Equipment on the roof and dials housed in a table-top unit measure wind speed, direction,

temperature, humidity and barometric pressure. \$149.95. Set-up looks rather like something out of a man-from-Mars picture, but is neat and not unattractive.

Regardless of weather, this is baseball season. Youthful ballplayers (and their dads) will be delighted with an electric-powered batting-practice machine. It throws 8 or 9 1¼"-diameter rubber balls a min; is safe for either indoor or outdoor use. It can be adjusted to throw fast, slow, or curve balls. \$39.50 from *Dedoes, 2070 W Eleven Mile Rd, Berkley, Mich.*

